GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3175
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COURT DIRECTIONS FOR BURN PATIENTS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per recent directions of the Delhi High Court, burn patients are not to be turned away by the hospitals;

(b) if so, whether these directions are being complied with by all the hospitals especially those which have received land and other assistance from the Government; and

(c) if not, the remedial steps proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.RAJA)

(a) to (c) The Government of NCT of Delhi has intimated that as far back in 1998 such direction of the High Court of Delhi were received and the same were conveyed to all concerned for compliance. They have also intimated that these directions were being compiled with by all the hospitals in Delhi including those which have received land and other assistance from the Government. In so far as Central Government Hospitals are concerned, as a matter of policy, no patient including burn patient is turned away and adequate facilities for treatment of burn patients are available in Safdarjung Hospital and Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital.